GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Prohibition & Excise Department – Allegation of Criminal Misconduct and Criminal Conspiracy against Sri A.Hanumantha Rao, Assistant Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise Department (Retired) for his involvement in the liquor syndicate cases pertaining to Visakhapatnam and Vizianagaram Districts – Entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries – Inquiries not completed within the time bound – Implemented the Hon'ble High Court Orders dated 09.08.2018 in W.P.No.28201/2018 – Orders – Issued.

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4. Aggrieved by the above, Sri A.Hanumantha Rao, Assistant Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise Department, (Retired) was filed W.P.No.28201/2018 before the Hon'ble High Court challenging the charge memos in both cases and prayed for his pensionary benefits. In the reference 13th read above, the Hon'ble High Court in its orders dated 09.08.2018, while disposed off the above W.P has passed following orders: (operative portion):-

> ***" Since the charge memos are of the year 2013 and the petitioner is not paid gratuity and full pension, we dispose of the present petition directing the respondents to complete the disciplinary proceedings initiated against the petitioner within a period of six months from the date of receipt of this order, failing which the charge memos dated 31.05.2013 and 01.07.2013 shall stand quashed. Consequently, O.A.no.322 of 2018 stands disposed of. No order as to costs."***

5. In the reference 14th & 15th read above, while communicating the above said orders to the inquiring authorities i.e., COI-PKS and COI-KSR has requested to complete the enquiry within stipulated time.

6. In the reference 21st read above, the Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise while narrating the disciplinary cases pending against Sri A.Hanumantha Rao, Assistant Commissioner(Retired) has informed that Sri A.Hanumantha Rao, Assistant Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise Department(Retired) has filed the Contempt Case in C.C.No.565/2019 in W.P.No.28201 of 2018 for not implementing the orders dated 09.08.2018 of the Hon'ble High Court in W.P.No.28201/2018 and requested to take further necessary action and issue necessary instructions in the matter.

7. Government, after careful examination of the entire matter, and keeping in view of the orders dated 09.08.2018 of Hon'ble High Court of Judicature in Writ Petition. No. 28201/2018 filed by Sri A.Hanumantha Rao, Assistant Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise Department(Retired) have decided to implement the orders of Hon'ble High Court dated 09.08.2018 in the said W.P and to drop further action against him in (2) two departmental cases pending before Commissioner of Inquiries, as the Inquiry on charge memos dated 31.05.2013 and 01.07.2013 could not be concluded within the stipulated time prescribed by the Hon'ble High Court.

8. Accordingly, Government hereby order to implement the orders dated 09.08.2018 in W.P.No.28201/2018 of Hon'ble High Court filed by Sri A.Hanumantha Rao, Assistant Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise Department(Retired) and to drop further action against him in (2) two departmental cases pending before Commissioner of Inquiries.

9. The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The Government Pleader for Services, Andhra Pradesh High Court, Amaravathi. w.r.t CC.No.565/2019 in W.P.No.28201/2018.
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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER